HE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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David TOMPKINS

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Examiner: K. Parton

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For:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FACILITATING DISTRIBUTED SERVER

ADMINISTRATION OF SERVER SYSTEM THAT ARE SCALABLE AND

VERSION INDEPENDENT

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 September 20, 2004

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for responding to the Office Action dated March 26, 2004 for three (3) months from June 26, 2004 to September 26, 2004.

A check in the amount of One Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty Dollars (\$950.00 to cover the extension fee and \$770.00 to cover the filing fee) is enclosed. In the event any fees are required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01,2300.

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